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Colombia

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- Colombia emphasizes the importance it attaches to the observance of environmental norms in the preparation, negotiation and implementation of disarmament and arms limitation agreements.
- In that regard, Colombia notes that, in various multilateral forums such as the open-ended working group taking forward multilateral nuclear disarmament negotiations established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/33, it has underscored the importance of promoting disarmament and non-proliferation education, including on the humanitarian consequences of the use of nuclear weapons and their impact on health, climate change and the environment.
- Colombia also notes that, in accordance with paragraph 2 of resolution 70/30, which calls upon States to adopt measures so as to contribute to ensuring the application of scientific and technological progress within the framework of international security, disarmament and other related spheres, without detriment to the environment or to its effective contribution to attaining sustainable development, the country will participate in the review of the International Atomic Energy Agency guidelines on strategic environmental assessment to be held in Vienna in September 2016.
- Colombia notes that it has traditionally joined the consensus in support of the annual resolution on the above-mentioned item and its inclusion in the provisional agenda of the General Assembly.